

1. (Amended) An adjustable wreath hanger comprising:

an elongated hanger strip having an upper end comprising a rearwardly facing, resilient door hook and a downwardly extending portion having a plurality of vertically separated, forwardly facing detent members; and

an elongated hook strip having a lower end comprising a forwardly facing hook member, and upper portion comprising a resilient engagement tab having a rearwardly facing projection, a slide member attached to an d cooperating with the upper portion of the hook strip to define an aperture thorough which the downwardly extending portion of the hanger strip is insertable to create an interfering fit between the rearwardly facing projection and the detent members, the slide member further comprising an upwardly extending, resilient backing tab spaced apart from the rearwardly facing projection, the backing tab biasing an aligned detent member of the hanger strip into engagement with the rearwardly facing projection of the hook strip to maintain a predetermined vertical separation between the door hook and the forwardly facing hook member during use.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejections of Claims 1-6 of this application is respectfully requested. By this Amendment, Claims 1-6 are in this application, and Claim 1 has been amended. Reconsideration of this application is requested.

The Rejection of Claims 1, 5, and 6

Reconsideration of the rejection of Claims 1-13 as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over U. S. Patent No. 6,311,851 to Knudsen et al. ("Knudsen"), in view of U. S. Patent No. 4,223,864 to Harlow ("Harlow"), is respectfully requested.

As amended, claim 1 of this application recites an adjustable wreath hanger comprising an elongated hanger strip having an upper end comprising a rearwardly facing, resilient door hook and a downwardly extending portion having a plurality of vertically separated, forwardly facing detent members. Also provided is an elongated hook strip having a lower end comprising a forwardly facing hook member, and upper portion comprising a resilient engagement tab having a rearwardly facing projection. Further provided is a slide member attached to and cooperating with the upper portion of the hook strip to define an aperture thorough which the